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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

As someone who works in and is extremely familiar with the computer industry, I am writing you to express my opinion on the Microsoft settlement issue. I believe that this settlement is long overdue, and I am relieved to see this dispute resolved.

With the economy faltering and the IT industry in retreat on many fields, I feel it is best to allow Microsoft to devote its resources to designing innovative software. This settlement allows all of us in the industry to get on with the business designing and providing IT services. Even with the heavy sanctions this settlement places on Microsoft, sharing of technical information, government review committee, etc., Microsoft will still be able to be the leading force in the technology sector.

Thank you for settling with Microsoft. I believe we should devote our time and energy to more pressing issues at hand.

Sincerely,

Larry Seel

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